

DECISION

**THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL
OF THE UNITED STATES**
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20548

FILE: B-212096

DATE: June 24, 1983

MATTER OF: Pluribus Products Inc.

DIGEST:

Protest alleging improprieties apparent in a solicitation must be filed prior to bid opening. 4 C.F.R. § 21.2 (1983).

Pluribus Products Inc. protests the award of any contract under IFB 5FCO-DQ-83-043 by the General Services Administration. Pluribus contends that one aspect of the specification was incomplete and that the specified delivery time was unreasonable. We dismiss the protest as untimely.

Our Bid Protest Procedures, 4 C.F.R. part 21 (1983), require that protests based on alleged improprieties in a solicitation, which are apparent prior to bid opening, be filed prior to bid opening. 4 C.F.R. § 21.2(b)(1). Bid opening was April 8, 1983; Pluribus filed its protest with the agency in early June and with us on June 14, 1983. Since these protests were not filed prior to bid opening, they are untimely. Bell & Howell Company, B-203235.4, January 5, 1982, 82-1 CPD 10.

The protest is dismissed.

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